## **Septic System Education and Outreach Questionnaire**

## July 2011 to June 2012

## **Pre-Survey**

- 1. Do you live in a watershed?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
  - c. I don't know
- 2. Is the water that enters a storm drain system treated at a wastewater plant or does it flow directly to creeks, rivers and the ocean?
  - a. It is treated
  - b. It is not treated
  - c. I don't know
- 3. How much do you think that septic systems can contribute to the pollution of local waterways?
  - a. Not at all
  - b. A little bit
  - c. Some of it
  - d. A great deal
  - e. All of the pollution is from septic systems
- 4. If you have a septic system on your property, do you know where the septic tank is located?
  - a. Yes, I know where the septic tank is located
  - b. No, I do not know where the septic tank is located
  - c. I do not have a septic system on my property
- 5. How often do you have your septic tank pumped?
  - a. Every year
  - b. Every other year
  - c. Every 3 to 5 years
  - d. Every 6 to 10 years
  - e. More than every 10 years
- 6. From when your septic system was last pumped until the present time, how many people, on average, have lived in the house?
  - a. One
  - b. Two
  - c. Three to Four
  - d. Five to Six
  - e. More than six

Please turn the page over to complete this survey!

- 7. Which of the following practices are considered good care and maintenance of septic tanks and systems? (Choose all that apply)
  - a. Inspect the septic tank frequently
  - b. Do not put harsh chemicals in the septic tank
  - c. Put only biodegradable items in the septic tank
  - d. Have the septic tank pumped at the frequency appropriate to the number of people living at the residence.
  - e. Conserve water use in the residence
  - f. Keep detailed records of the septic system's location, care and maintenance
- 8. What are some of the signs of a septic system that has failed and is no longer functioning correctly? (Choose all that apply)
  - a. Sewage backs up in the drains and toilets
  - b. Unpleasant smelling liquid on or around the septic tank or drain field
  - c. Slow flushing or draining of the toilets, sinks, bathtubs or showers
  - d. Unpleasant odors from plumbing
  - e. Lush, green grass over the drain field, even in the dry season
- 9. For classification purposes, please provide the following information.
  - a. Male
  - b. Female
- 10. Resident of:
  - c. Fallbrook resident
  - d. Rainbow resident
  - e. Bonsall resident

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Review the presentation before answering the rest of the questions.

Thank you.